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Attention: Director of Technology Center 2100

We are faxing the issue fee payment with a Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment Based On Failure to Receive Office Action. We never received the Notice of Allowance, and therefore, did not pay the issue fee. An affidavit from our docketing clerk is included with this petition, together with a copy of the docket record and calendar where the nonreceived Notice of Allowance would have been entered. A copy of the Notice of Abandonment is also included herewith.

Please withdraw the abandonment and credit the issue fee for this case.

Thank you in advance.

Sincerely,

M. Robert Kestenbaum Reg. No. 20,430

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: US Patent Application 10/018,721

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Attention Technology Center 2100

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Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment Based on Failure to Receive Office Action under MPEP 711.03(c) II

Affidavit for Non-Receipt of Official USPTO Correspondence, Namely Notice of Allowance

Dear Director of Technology Center 2100:

We learned that this application was abandoned when we received a Notice of Abandonment mailed February 2, 2005. We contacted the Examiner. He advised us that the case had been allowed on September 28, 2004, and the Notice of Allowance was mailed on September 30, 2004. He faxed us a copy of the Notice of Allowance.

The Attachment to the Notice of Abandonment noted that if we had not received the official communication from the USPTO, we should fax a Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment Based on Failure to Receive an Office Action under MPEP 711.03(c) II and 37 CFR 1.181, and if the Office granted this petition, the Office Action would be re-sent. Since the Examiner faxed us a copy of the Notice of Allowance, we do not need to have the Notice of Allowance re-mailed to us. Rather, we have included herewith the required Issue Fee payment, with this Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment.

Meyer-Grafe (H) 01PH0491USP US Patent Application 10/018,721 Request to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment and Issue Fee Payment Submitted on March 23, 2005

Applicant hereby attests that the Notice of Allowance mailed September 30, 2004 was never received, and a search of the file jacket and docket records indicates that the Notice of Allowance was not received.

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An affidavit supporting the statement of non-receipt, is submitted with this Issue Fee Payment.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Robert Kestenbaum

Reg. No. 20,430

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I hereby certify this correspondence is being submitted by facsimile transmission to Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, Virginia on March 23, 2005, fax number (703) 872-9306.

M. Robert Kestenbaum

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Attachment A

I, Heidi M. Ortiz, hereby attest that I am the docket clerk in the office of M. Robert Kestenbaum. It is my duty to receive and docket incoming correspondence, and track its submission to the USPTO on a timely basis.

It is my standard procedure to collect, sort, and log correspondence on a daily basis AS SOON AS IT ARRIVES. My docketing system is based upon logging incoming correspondence as it is received. When I receive correspondence, I log it into my docketing sheets (see page A). The first column ("Mailed") notes when correspondence is mailed from the USPTO. I note the "Mailed" date from the USPTO. I then note the date the response is due in the "Due Date" (next to the last column) on the docketing sheet. I also note the due date and details on the calendar that I use to keep track of due dates.

Please note the line where I have written in an arrow on page A from my docketing log, showing that there is not an entry for a Notice of Allowance mailed on September 30, 2004. This indicates that the Notice of Allowance was not received from the USPTO. I am also enclosing the corresponding page from the calendar that I use to keep track of due dates, which indicates no Issue Fee payment for this case was logged in the calendar for December 30, 2004.

I KNOW THAT THE NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE FOR US PATENT APPLICATION 10/018,721 WAS NOT RECEIVED IN OUR OFFICE, BECAUSE IT WAS NOT LOGGED AS RECEIVED IN THE DOCKETING SHEET, NOR WAS IT LOGGED IN THE CALENDAR. THEREFORE, IT WAS NEVER RECEIVED IN OUR OFFICE.

Meyer-Grafe (H) 01PH0419USP

I know that this docketing system works for our office, because I have been using it successfully for ten years.

OBERT KESTENBAUM

For this application, I enclose a copy of our docketing sheet, as well as a copy of the appropriate page from our calendar. Also enclosed with this affidavit is the response that was required to the original Notice of Allowance (i.e., the Issue Fee payment).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein on my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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